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IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO: All In-State and Out-of-State Pharmacies

FROM: The Board of Pharmacy

RE: Notice of Practitioners with Prescriptive Authority

Previously, pharmacies that filled prescriptions from practitioners licensed in this State were faxed updated lists of those practitioners that have prescriptive authority.

Effective immediately, the Board of Pharmacy ("Board") will no longer be automatically faxing these updated lists of practitioners because verification of license for a practitioner is available on-line through the following webpage:

www.hawaii.gov/dcca/areas/pvl

This webpage will bring you to the Division of Professional and Vocational Licensing. Click on "On-Line Services" in the yellow box on the right side of the screen. Then click on Professional and Vocational Licensing Search.

- Physician Assistants (PA). Because PA's automatically have prescriptive authority, you would just do a license check for the individual to verify that the person is a licensed PA.
- Nurses with Prescriptive Authority. You would do a license check on that nurse to make sure the nurse holds an "RX" license. This indicates that the nurse has prescriptive authority.
- TPA Certified Optometrists. When viewing the license screen, see "Special Privileges" to check if "Therapeutic Pharmaceutical Agents" is listed there. If a "D" or nothing is under "Special Privileges" then the optometrist is not TPA certified and cannot prescribe.

If your pharmacy does not have access to the internet, you may submit a written request for the lists to be faxed to you. You may mail, fax or email your written request to the Executive Officer at:

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These lists will only be faxed upon written request. Updated lists will not be automatically faxed.

This Notice is also posted on the Board's webpage at:

http://www.hawaii.gov/dcca/areas/pvl/boards/pharmacy/

If you have any questions, please contact Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer for the Board of Pharmacy at (808) 586-2694 or by email at pharmacy@dcca.hawaii.gov.